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1. I gave a briefing on the Support Directorate to approximately 125 senior officials of the National Security Agency in the NSA auditorium at Fort Meade, Maryland. Following my speech [REDACTED] gave a briefing on the Office of Communications. I felt that both talks were well received and were useful in acquainting the NSA officials with the Agency. Dr. Louis Tordella, Acting Director of NSA, and [REDACTED] Assistant Director for Personnel Management, expressed their appreciation for our participation.

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2. I presented promotion actions to [REDACTED] of the Office of Logistics. At the same time, I presented promotion actions to Alan Warfield as Assistant Deputy Director for Support and George Meloon as Director of Logistics.

3. A recording amplifier in the DCI Conference Room failed in the course of a recording of interest to the DCI. This failure was rather embarrassing. The Office of Security is taking steps to ensure the technical performance of this recorder in the future.

4. [REDACTED] was in to discuss the proposed travel regulation and gave me a short rundown on the history of its delay. It was too complicated to try to master at this one meeting, and I will get into more detail on it. I propose to mention this during my meeting with [REDACTED] on Monday, 19 July.

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6. Howard Osborn briefed me on the status of the case of [REDACTED] both of whom have employed attorneys with a view toward bringing suit. Their attorneys have been talking directly to staff personnel rather than through the Office of the General Counsel. Since Colonel White has been handling this case, I obtained his approval to bring the Office of the General Counsel into the picture. Legal discussions will now be held only with OGC. (This is a touchy case and has the potential to cause embarrassment.)

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9. On the return trip from NSA I had a short conversation with Harry [redacted] about the future setup of the Office of Communications. There was some discussion in general terms of personalities, and Harry mentioned that in the early fall the office would plan its senior assignments for next year. I advised Harry that as a matter of policy I do not like an office to operate with an absentee chief and that it appears [redacted] will not be able to return to active duty. Accordingly, at the proper time Colonel White and I will talk to [redacted] about retirement and will then select his replacement. My thinking now is that [redacted] will be Director of Communications, [redacted] will replace Jack at the [redacted] will be Deputy Director of Communications. I envision that the position of Deputy Director of Communications will not be a fixed assignment but more of a rotational one for the senior officers such as [redacted]

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